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Advisory Announcement

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Bristol Bay Eastside Salmon Announcement #27 Emergency Orders 62, 63, & 64

This is the Alaska Department of Fish & Game in King Salmon with an announcement for permit holders in the Naknek-Kvichak, Egegik, and Ugashik districts. The time is 12:00 noon and the date is Monday, July 11, 2022.

Naknek-Kvichak District

On July 10, Naknek River escapement was 118,000 fish for a cumulative of 1.3 million; Alagnak River escapement was 103,000 for a cumulative of 690,000; and Kvichak River escapement was 254,000 for a cumulative of 2,020,000, which is above the lower bound of the escapement goal. The Kvichak inriver estimate is 400,000. The Naknek-Kvichak District harvest on July 10 was 904,000 fish for a total catch of 8.1 million. There are 377 vessels registered to fish in the district and there will be 474 in 48 hours. The 48-hour waiting period for transfers into the Naknek-Kvichak District will likely remain in effect until 9:00 a.m. July 17.

The Naknek-Kvichak District will open to drift gillnet gear for an 18.5-hour period from 10:30 p.m. Monday, July 11 until 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, July 12. Commercial fishing with set gillnets in the Naknek-Kvichak District is extended until further notice.

Egegik District

Egegik Tower passed 84,000 fish on July 10, bringing the season total to 1.4 million. The inriver estimate is 75,000. Egegik District harvest from July 10 was 598,000, for a season total of 12.4 million fish.

Having exceeded the mid-point of the escapement goal range the 48-hour transfer waiting requirement into the Egegik District is waived. Permit holders wishing to transfer out of the Egegik District and all other transfers must still serve a 48-hour waiting period prior to fishing in another Bristol Bay district.

Egegik District will open to commercial fishing with set gillnet gear for 20 hours from 9:15 p.m. Monday, July 11 until 5:15 p.m. Tuesday, July 12. Commercial fishing with drift gillnet gear will open for 8 hours from 9:15 p.m. Monday, July 11 until 5:15 a.m. Tuesday, July 12 and again for 8 hours from 9:15 a.m. until 5:15 p.m. Tuesday, July 12.

Ugashik District

The Ugashik River tower passed 187,000 on July 10, bringing the season total to 806,000 fish. The inriver estimate is 200,000. Harvest from July 10 was 426,000 fish, for a season total of 3.9 million. There are currently

160 vessels registered in the district. The district transfer waiting period will be waived once total escapement reaches 950,000 fish.

Ugashik District will open to commercial fishing with both set and drift gillnet gear for 16 hours from 7:45 a.m. until 11:45 p.m. Tuesday, July 12.

This has been the Alaska Dept. of Fish & Game in King Salmon.

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